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## **PATENT APPLICATION**

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## **Preliminary Amendment**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to the examination of the captioned application filed as a USC § 371 application of PCT/US99/24972 applicants request entry of the following amendments.